GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
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Financial Assistance from Foreign Organisations
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sought any financial assistance from foreign organisations viz. WHO, UNESCO and World Bank for the various women and child development schemes in the country; and
(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the financial assistance provided by such agencies?

Answer

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI)

(a) & (b): The ICDS (Integrated Child Development Services Scheme) Systems Strengthening & Nutrition Improvement Project (ISSNIP) has been designed with financial assistance of the World Bank/International Development Association (IDA) to supplement and provide value addition on the existing ICDS programme through system s strengthening for better service delivery, as well as to allow the selected States/Districts to experiment, innovate and conduct pilots of potentially more effective approaches for ICDS. The project would be implemented in 162 districts having higher proportion of malnourished children in eight States, viz. Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh along with it would support conducting urban pilots in and around NCR of Delhi and convergent nutrition actions pilots in some selected districts in two other States viz., Odisha and Uttarakhand.
The World Bank/International Development Association (IDA) has agreed to extend a credit of SDR 66,300,000 to assist in financing the project. The respective Financing Agreement has been signed between Department of Economic Affairs and IDA on 05.11.2012.
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